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Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 5 as follows. The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended). A system for the distribution of audio and video files, comprising:

a central database with audio or video files;

local processing means for processing and playing the audio
5 or video files;

a transmission network for the transmission of the audio or video files from the central database to the local processing means;

a processor for selecting a collection of files from the
10 database by means of a selection algorithm and storing that selection in a selection file, as well as for transferring, via the transmission network to the local processing means of a subscriber, replicas of both the selection file and the selected files themselves, the local processing means playing the selected
15 files via playing means under control of the selection file.

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wherein the processor selects, on the basis of one or more selection algorithms, different collections of files and stores these selections in different selection files, which are transferred to the local processing means via the transmission
20 network, the local processing means comprising a local selection device for selecting, according to the desire of the subscriber, one of those different selection files; [[and]]

wherein the local selection device stores consecutive choices made by the subscriber, in a log file, the processor
25 reading out the selections stored in the local selection device and periodically replacing part of the collection of selected files by files selected once again from the database, and

wherein the periodically replacing part of the collection of selected files by files selected once again from the database
30 includes identifying the part of the collection to be replaced as belonging to a genre and replacing the part of the collection with the genre with files identified as belonging to the genre.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented). The system according to claim 1, wherein the processor periodically replaces, under control of a refreshing algorithm, part of the collection of

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selected files by files which are selected once again from the
5 database.

Claim 3 (Cancelled).

Claim 4 (Cancelled).

Claim 5 (Previously Presented). A system for the
distribution of audio and video files, comprising:

a central database which stores audio or video files;
a local processor which processes and plays the audio or
5 video files;

a transmission network which transmits the audio or video
files from the central database to the local processor;

a processor which selects a collection of files from the
central database by use of a selection algorithm and stores the
10 selected collection of files in a selection file, as well as
transferring, via the transmission network to the local processor
of a subscriber, replicas of both the selection file and the
selected files themselves, the local processor being able to play
the selected files via a playing device under control of the
15 selection file:

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wherein the processor selects, on the basis of one or more selection algorithms, different collections of files and stores these selections in different selection files, which are transferred to the local processor via the transmission network, the local processor comprising a local selection device which selects, according to the desire of the subscriber, one of those different selection files; [[and]]

wherein the local selection device stores consecutive choices made by the subscriber, in a log file, the processor reading out the selections stored in the local selection device and periodically replacing part of the collection of selected files by files selected once again from the central database, and wherein the periodically replacing part of the collection of selected files by files selected once again from the database includes identifying the part of the collection to be replaced as belonging to a genre and replacing the part of the collection with the genre with files identified as belonging to the genre.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented). The system according to claim 5, wherein the processor periodically replaces, under control of a refreshing algorithm, part of the collection of

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selected files with files that are selected once again from the
5 central database.

Claim 7 (Cancelled).

Claim 8 (Cancelled).

Claim 9 (Previously Presented). The system according to
claim 1, wherein the files that are refreshed have been actually
selected by the subscriber.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented). The system according to
claim 5, wherein the files that are refreshed have been actually
selected by the subscriber.